

Foreign Use of American Labor-Saving Machinery.

Philadelphia Record.

The American Machinist, a representative paper in the business which it exploits, dispatched one of its editors to England especially to investigate the subject of importations into that country and the Continent of Europe of American machine tools. The first installment of his report appeared on May 13, and the second on May 20. Both of these long letters contain much information and we refer those of our readers who are especially interested in the subject thereto. We prefer not to spoil the meat of the articles by cutting off small pieces.

The Iron Trade Review of May 20 has an editorial on "Machinery Exports" which quotes a Cleveland manufacturer as stating that American automatic machinery has been extensively purchased in France, but that the workmen are incompetent to use it properly; and this is a serious difficulty which American labor-saving tools have to encounter abroad. The foreign mechanics lack the intelligence required to operate these machines; and this incidentally furnishes an answer to the statements sometimes made by philanthropists and theorists, that automatic machinery is detrimental to the intellectual advancement of the mechanic.

During the Columbian Exposition a party of distinguished foreigners visited a large machine shop in this city. One gentleman was a manager of an important gun manufacturing establishment abroad. Presently he pointed to a certain automatic machine, and said: "Ah! We have two from your house. Very good tools." The machine was then put into operation, and soon this gentleman displayed a lively interest and great astonishment at its performance. "Ah," said he, "it is not the same. This one does all the work itself. How long since this wonderful improvement was invented?" On further examination it was found that his machines were precisely of the same design, but certain attachments sent with them, and fully explained in the circulars, which made them automatic and added tenfold to their daily value, had never been employed in the foreign shops because the workmen did not understand how to use the Yankee gimcrack! Yet the foreman thought they were good.

A recent issue of the National Industrial Review contained an article, headed "American Machinery Abroad," written by a traveler who had spent three months in going through the mechanical establishments of England and the Continent, who reports that he carried samples to show of some light machinery, and in two weeks he took \$20,000 worth of orders. He says: "In England I found the manufacturers ripe and ready for American machinery."

The United States Consul at Ghent, Belgium (H. P. Morris), states in his latest report that American labor-saving machinery is taking the lead in all branches of industry in the country, in spite of the fact that arrangements for exhibiting and selling in competition with English, German, French and other manufacturers in sadly inadequate. He makes the practical suggestion that a European distributing center for American machinery should be established, and says that a neutral ground should be selected, on which French, German and other nationalities could meet without any feeling of jealousy. For such reason he selects Brussels as the most suitable location.

These references to the recent articles appearing in trade journals will suffice to show the drift of opinion in the best informed circles toward the views which "The Record" has been advocating in the interest of American manufacturers. We are convinced that those who are unable to adapt their methods to the changed conditions of business will gradually fall behind in the race—as, indeed, we regret to say, has already happened with some of our oldest establishments.

EARTHQUAKE SHOCKS

Are no Doubt Caused by Contraction of the Earth's Crust.

"Earthquakes are phenomena that scientists do not yet clearly understand," said Professor Henry A. Rowland, of the Johns Hopkins University last night. It is difficult to determine what causes them. Some assert that they are caused by waters of the sea pouring into crevices in the earth's crust and thus coming into contact with the fiery elements in the earth's center. The result of this would be similar to a gigantic boiler explosion.

"Other theorists hold that earthquakes are caused by the contraction of the earth's crust. The earth is constantly cooling and it is held that the outer crust necessarily contracts. This is sometimes done by fits and starts, and immense shelves of rocks, portions of the earth's outer skin, or strata, after being subjected to immense pressure, suddenly yield to the strain and overlap each other. Done under great pressure and over a large territory, this causes a disturbance of the earth's surface which is plainly felt and which we call earthquake. Scientists of today seem generally inclined to this latter theory.

"No one can predict the coming of an earthquake nor why it is felt in certain localities more than in others except upon the theory that disturbances in the crust of the earth are generally regional and the waves sent out die away after a time. The waves move much more rapidly than sound and also have about the same horizontal velocity from a heavy as from light quake. The velocity is somewhere in the neighborhood of a mile a second. There is really a very light backward and forward movement of the earth's surface. Such a movement of an inch would throw down nearly every building under which it passed.

"Earthquakes are more frequent in volcanic countries," continued Professor Rowland, "because the earth's crust is thinner there, and not because of the presence of the volcanoes. The fact of volcanoes existing is a proof of the thinness of the earth's crust. In Japan, where

earthquakes are of frequent occurrence, scientists have set themselves to study the phenomena. The seismograph, an instrument especially designed for the purpose, is much used there. It is little used in this country because a railroad train passing within a mile and a half of it disturbs it.

"The earthquake tremors felt here were no doubt caused by the contraction of the earth's crust somewhere beneath this section of the country."

NEW TARIFF BY JULY 15.

Many Senators Concur in Opinion of Its Speedy Passage.

A dispatch from Washington to the Philadelphia Record says: "Mr. President," said Senator Gorman to President McKinley at Vice-President Hobart's Friday night, "I expect to see the tariff bill pass the Senate by the 20th of June.

Similar predictions from other Senators rejoiced President McKinley's heart, but this assurance from the leader of the opposition, whose predictions are usually accurate, was especially gratifying. It was echoed by Senators very freely at the Senate Saturday, although some of them named the 1st of July as the day when the bill would go back to the House. All were agreed, however, that either by the 1st or the 15th of July the bill would become a law.

If it passes the Senate, as Senator Gorman predicts, within the next fortnight, he and others expect to see it become a law by the 1st of July, for no delay in conference committee is expected any more than in the Senate itself under the understandings already reached by the Republican Senators and the understandings which are to be reached as to the remaining disputed points of the bill.

Tazewell Seminary.

The closing exercises of Tazewell Seminary occurred Monday, May 31st. The scholarship medal was won by Miss Hester Walton, who attained an average of 97 per cent. for the entire session. The attendance medal was awarded to Miss Willie Frazier, who secured an average of 97 1/2 per cent. During the present school year, a high standard of work has been required, and exact and accurate work demanded. The pupils have made great advancement in their studies and the results attained have been entirely satisfactory. Prof. H. L. Benton, who expected to return to the Seminary next year, was, unexpectedly, elected to a Superintendency in western Mass., and has accepted the position. Miss Georgiette Clarke, Principal of Tazewell Seminary, will re-open the school in September with a corps of teachers strong in scholarship and experience in school work. No pains will be spared to maintain this as a model young ladies' school—a school of scholarship and high standard.

Quarterly Meeting.

On last Saturday and Sunday the third quarterly meeting for the current year was held in the Methodist church. The services on Sunday morning and night were conducted by Rev. J. Tyler Frazier, presiding elder, and on both occasions he preached to a crowded church. The sermons were fine ones and made a profound impression on his hearers. At the morning service the sacrament of the Lord's Supper was administered, and nearly the entire congregation joined in the communion. It was a delightful religious service, and its effects will be felt in the community for some time. On Sunday afternoon Love Feast was held and a number of good, Christian people attended.

What's the Matter?

We have not yet received last week's issue of the Tazewell Republican, McDowell Free Press, and Abingdon Virginian, which are numbered among our best exchanges. They are always looked for, otherwise we would not miss them. "Pocahontas Headlight."

We appreciate the compliment of our neighbor, and can sincerely return it. The failure to receive the REPUBLICAN must have been the result of an accident, which we hope will not occur again.

They Answer Nay.

The county court yesterday refused to grant license to sell liquor in Bluefield. The question was argued by both sides and after hearing the argument President Calfee arose and announced that no license would be granted.

Those who were in favor of license were represented by H. A. Ritz, B. M. Penland and F. M. Daret, and those opposed by John M. Anderson, Hugh G. Woods and Rev. W. A. Pearson.—Bluefield Telegraph, 9th inst.

WAR MUST STOP.

President McKinley Said to Have Fixed His Cuban Policy.

New York, 8.—The Cuban policy of the present administration is attracting deep interest in every quarter. The Journal today publishes under a Washington date line the following important statement: President McKinley's Cuban policy is to-day concrete and fixed. Already the first note to Spain is blocked out, and merely awaits the report of Special Commissioner Calhoun to give it its final impulse. It will offer mediation to Spain on the basis of the independence of Cuba and the payment of a suitable indemnity. The rejection of this friendly offer will be sharply followed by message to Congress which will make the world ring at its sturdy Americanism. Every contingency has been considered for months. Preparations are even now rapidly being made for any conclusions which Spain may arrive at. President McKinley will greet a favorable response with olive branches. He will ward of aggression with mailed hand.

This information is derived from sources which do not admit of question. President McKinley has himself outlined the main features of his policy to confidential friends and advisers during the present week.

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ITEMS OF INTEREST

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Ohio coal miners at Columbus have decided not to join in any general strike that may be called.

Assistant Secretary Roosevelt made the address at the opening of the Naval War College, Newport, R. I.

Sardou has presented to Sir Henry Irving the instand he used when writing "Madame Sans-Gene."

The historic cottage of Edgar Allan Poe, on the Kingsbridge road, New York, has been preserved from destruction.

Chauncey M. Depew has gone abroad to hob-nob with the crowned heads to gather fresh ideas for running his railroad.

President McKinley pardoned defaulting clerk Frederick F. Edgar, of the Tradesmen's National Bank, of New York.

Rather than wash in impure water at the noon hour, employees in the Lake Shore railway shops, at Buffalo, N. Y., quit work.

The governor of Indiana has been advised by the President to improve the neglected grave of Lincoln's mother, in that State.

Famous old Libby prison building, which was transferred from Richmond, Va., to Chicago, Ill., is to be moved to another site.

The Hudson Bay expedition to investigate the grain waterway from the Northwest to Europe has sailed from Halifax, N. S.

A subscription list has been started to raise \$100,000 for the Mercer University in Georgia. John Temple Graves, an old alumnus, has given \$1000 to start the fund.

In a small town in South Dakota the three saloons are owned, controlled and personally managed by the mayor, marshal and clerk respectively, and citizens not holding office are not encouraged to enter this branch of trade.

Chicago is laying plans for more extensive public improvements this year than ever undertaken before. In sewers, street paving, bridges and elevation of tracks, and the adjustment of the grade in various parts of the city her budget already calls for \$8,000,000.

It is said that there is a portion of the most beautiful part of Tennessee where some poisonous weed is so profuse that eight square miles of land have been fenced off to keep cattle out. At least fifteen persons have died from drinking the milk of cows that have fed in the inclosure.

A large band of Mennonites are about to move from their homes in Kansas and South Dakota and buy about 12,000 acres of land about Houston, Tex. They bought the land they now inhabit about twenty years ago for \$4 an acre, and will sell it for \$25 to \$40 an acre. They move to Texas because they can get land there for almost nothing.

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Peach and Honey	50	1.50 to 2.00
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Anchor	3.50	1.00
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